

## November 2, 2004 General Election Calendar

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| <p>Oct 27-Nov 5, 2003<br/>(PE-127 to PE-118)<br/><b>Refer to Primary<br/>Election Calendar</b></p> | <p>1.     <u><b>Declaration of Intention - Independent Candidates for<br/>Legislative Office</b></u><br/><i>Independent candidates for legislative office must file<br/>Declarations of Intention and pay their filing fees during<br/>the pre-primary filing period.</i>                                 §§8022(a), 8350</p>  |
| <p>Nov 6-Nov 10, 2003<br/>(PE-117 to PE-113)<br/><b>Refer to Primary<br/>Election Calendar</b></p> | <p>2.     <u><b>Declarations of Intention - Extension Period for<br/>Independent Legislative Candidates</b></u><br/><i>If the incumbent legislator has not filed a Declaration of<br/>Intention to succeed to the same office, then any person,<br/>other than the incumbent, may file such a Declaration<br/>during this extension period.</i>                                 §§8022, 8350</p>   |
| <p>Apr 23-Jul 22, 2004<br/>(E-193 to E-103)</p>  | <p>3.     <u><b>Signatures in Lieu of Filing Fees – Independent Candidates for<br/>U.S. Senate or House of Representatives</b></u><br/>During this period, any independent candidate for U.S. Senate or<br/>House of Representatives may obtain his or her forms from the<br/>county elections official for circulating petitions to secure<br/>signatures in lieu of all or part of the filing fee. Qualified<br/>signatures may also be applied to the signature requirements for<br/>office on the nomination paper.                                 §§8105, 8106, 8302, 8405</p> |
| <p>Apr 23-Aug 6, 2004<br/>(E-193 to E-88)</p>  | <p>4.     <u><b>Nomination Papers – Independent Candidates – Office for<br/>Which There is No Filing Fee (Presidential)</b></u><br/>Between these dates, independent candidates for an office for<br/>which there is no filing fee shall circulate nomination papers to<br/>obtain signatures and submit them to the county elections official<br/>for examination.   §8403(a)(2)</p>  |
| <p>May 17-Aug 30, 2004<br/>(E-169 to E-64)<br/>*Saturday</p>                                       | <p>5.     <u><b>Nomination Papers for Offices For Which There Is No<br/>Filing Fee – Independent Candidates – Forwarded to Secretary<br/>of State</b></u><br/>During this period, county elections officials must deliver the<br/>nomination papers of independent candidates to the Secretary of<br/>State for filing.   §8403</p>  |
| <p>Jun 7, 2004<br/>(E-148)</p>   | <p>6.     <u><b>Governor's Proclamation - Issuance</b></u><br/>By this date, the Governor shall issue a proclamation calling the<br/>primary election and transmit a copy to the board of supervisors<br/>of each county. The proclamation shall state the time of the<br/>election and the offices to be filled. The Secretary of State will</p>  |

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send an informational copy of the proclamation to each county election official. §12000

Jun 7-Aug 6, 2004  
(E-148 to E- 88)

7. **Nomination Papers – Independent Candidates For Offices for Which There is a Filing Fee**

Between these dates, independent candidates shall circulate nomination papers and submit them to the county elections official for examination. If the candidate is filing for a district office and if the district falls within two or more counties, the county elections official shall report in writing within two working days to the Secretary of State the total number of signatures submitted. Any registered voter may sign an in-lieu-of-filing-fee petition for any candidate for whom he or she is eligible to vote. §8106

**Independent candidates for specified offices must have filed declarations of intention in order to file nomination papers (See item #1).** §8350

Jun 7-Aug 6, 2004  
7 p.m.  
(E-148-E-88)

8. **Official's Verification Method – Independent Candidates**

Between these dates, the county elections official will send Secretary of State notice of the total number of signatures submitted in each county and the method of verification to be used. Notice must be received within two working days of the final deposit of petition sections, or close of the circulation period, whichever is earlier, but in no event later than 7 p.m. on August 6, 2004 (E-88). Cal. Code of Regs., Title 2, §20087

Jun 7-Aug 6, 2004  
(E-148 to E-88)

9. **Statements of Economic Interests**

Between these dates, specified non-incumbent candidates in an election shall file statements of economic interests disclosing their investments, interests in real property, and any income received during the immediately preceding 12 months. These statements must be filed no later than August 11, 2004 (E-88), the final date for filing the declaration of candidacy. This filing of statements of economic interests is not required if the candidate has filed such statements within the past 60 days for the same jurisdiction. State legislative candidate must file a copy of their Form 7000 – Statement of Economic Interests – with the Secretary of State's Political Reform Division.

Govt. C. §§87200, 87201, 87500

**Note:** The deadline for filing the statements of economic interests by certain office holders may be earlier. Call the Fair Political

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Practices Commission (FPPC) for deadline information at (916) 322-5660.

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| Jun 24, 2004<br>(E-131)                                    | 10. | <b><u>Initiative Measure Qualification Deadline</u></b><br>The last day for an initiative measure to qualify for the general election ballot. Cal. Const. Art II, §8(c); Elec. C. §9013   |
| Jun 24, 2004<br>(E-131)                                    | 11. | <b><u>Legislative Measure Qualification Deadline</u></b><br>The last day for the Legislature to adopt a constitutional amendment, bond measure or other legislative measure in order for the proposed measure to appear on the general election ballot. §9040   |
| Jun 28, 2004<br>(Date designated by<br>Secretary of State) | 12. | <b><u>State Measures - News Release Inviting Arguments</u></b><br>On this date, the Secretary of State will issue a general news release requesting voters to submit an argument in each case where either the argument for or against any measure has not been prepared and filed. §§9060-9063   |
| Jul 1-Aug 30, 2004<br>(E-124 to E-64)                      | 13. | <b><u>Nomination Papers for Which There is a Filing Fee – Independent Candidates – Forwarded to Secretary of State</u></b><br>During this period, county elections official must file the nomination papers of independent candidates with the Secretary of State who shall receive and file them. §8403  |
| Jul 6, 2004<br>(Date designated by<br>Secretary of State)  | 14. | <b><u>State Measures – Arguments Submission Deadline</u></b><br>By this day, legislators and their appointee(s) must submit to the Secretary of State their arguments for and against each legislative measure that qualifies by June 24, 2004 (E-131). This is also the last day for proponents of each initiative measure to submit their arguments to the Secretary of State. Once submitted, the arguments may not be changed or amended. §9043 |

Whenever the Legislature submits any measure to the voters of the state, the author of the measure and no more than two persons appointed by the author may draft an argument for its adoption, or the author of the measure may appoint no more than three persons to draft the argument. This argument shall not exceed 500 words in length. If the author of the measure desires separate arguments to be written in its favor by each person appointed, separate arguments may be written, but the combined length shall not exceed 500 words. §9041

If a legislative measure was not adopted unanimously, one member of each house who voted against it shall be appointed by the presiding officers of the respective houses to write an argument

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against the measure. This argument shall not exceed 500 words in length. §9042

Any voter may request the Secretary of State's permission to prepare and file an argument for either side of any such measure for which no argument has been prepared. The Secretary of State shall grant permission unless two or more voters request permission to submit argument on the same side of a measure, in which event the Secretary of State shall designate one of the voters to write the argument. §§9044, 9067

Proponents of initiatives are given preference in submitting ballot arguments on their measures. Opposing arguments are solicited from the public, with priority given to bona fide associations of citizens, followed by individual voters, when more than one argument is submitted against the initiative measures. §§9062, 9064, 9067

Jul 11, 2004  
(Date designated by  
Secretary of State)

15. **Selection and Exchange of Arguments For and Against Measures**

On or before this day, the Secretary of State will select arguments for inclusion in the ballot pamphlet where more than one has been submitted in favor of or against the same measure. The Secretary of State will exchange arguments with opposing authors and request rebuttal arguments. §§9067, 9069

Jul 15, 2004  
(Date designated by  
Secretary of State)

16. **State Measures - Titles, Summaries, Analyses, Text, and Bond Statement Deadline**

No later than this date, the Attorney General, Legislative Analyst and Legislative Counsel will provide the official titles, 20-word ballot labels, summaries, analyses, texts, and statements of bonded indebtedness for all measures that have qualified for the general election ballot to allow the Secretary of State sufficient time to translate the ballot pamphlet into the appropriate minority languages and to prepare copy for public display.

§§9050, 9087, 9088, 9091, 13280-13282

Jul 15, 2004  
(Date designated by  
Secretary of State)

17. **State Measures - Rebuttal Arguments and Summary Information Submission Deadline**

The last day rebuttal arguments and summary information for or against ballot measures qualified for the primary election ballot may be submitted. The arguments shall not exceed 250 words.

§§9044, 9069

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| Jul 15, 2004<br>(Date designated by<br>Secretary of State) | 18. | <b><u>Statement of Purpose of Political Parties</u></b><br>Deadline for qualified political parties to submit statements of purpose and philosophy for inclusion in the state ballot pamphlet.  |
| Jul 20-Aug 9, 2004<br>(E-105 to E-85)                      | 19. | <b><u>State Ballot Pamphlet Available for Public Examination</u></b><br>Commencing this day, the Secretary of State will make a complete copy of the ballot pamphlet available for public inspection for 20 days. The ballot labels will also be made available.<br>Govt. C. §§8006; Elec. C. §§9092, 13282   |
| Jul 22, 2004<br>(E-103)                                    | 20. | <b><u>Signatures In Lieu of Filing Fees – Independent Candidates for U.S. Senate and House of Representatives</u></b><br>The last day for independent candidates for U.S. Senate and House of Representatives to turn in their petitions to the county elections official of the county in which the petition signers reside and are registered to vote. Within ten days after receipt of a petition, the county elections official shall notify the candidate of any deficiency. The candidate shall then cover the deficiency either by submitting a supplemental petition or by paying a prorated portion of the filing fee not later than August 6, 2004 (E-88). Upon receipt of the minimum number of in-lieu signatures required, or a sufficient combination of such signatures and the prorated filing fee, the county elections official shall issue nomination papers provisionally.<br>§8106 |
| Jul 27, 2004<br>(E-98)                                     | 21. | <b><u>Change of Candidate's Designation on Ballot</u></b><br>The last day that any candidate may request in writing a different ballot designation than that used at the primary election. This written request should be made to <b><u>both</u></b> the Secretary of State and the county elections official.<br>§13107  |
| Jul 31, 2004*<br>(Date fixed by law)<br>*Saturday          | 22. | <b><u>Campaign Statement – Semiannual</u></b><br>The last day to file semiannual campaign statements, if required, by all candidates and committees. Govt. C. §§84200,84218   |
| Jul 31, 2004*<br>*Saturday                                 | 23. | <b><u>Supplemental Independent Expenditure Report</u></b><br>Last day to file supplemental independent expenditure reports for candidates or committees making independent expenditures of \$1000 or more in a calendar year to support or oppose a candidate or measure. Independent expenditure reports are filed at the same time, and in the same places, as would be required if the filer were primarily formed to support or oppose the candidate, measure, or measure qualification affected by the independent expenditure.<br>Govt. C. §84203.5   |

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| Aug 1, 2004*<br>(E-93)<br>*Sunday | 24. | <b><u>Signatures in Lieu of Filing Fees – Independent Candidates</u></b><br>The last day for the county elections official to determine the sufficiency of the in-lieu signatures submitted by independent candidates. Within ten days after receipt of a petition the county elections official shall notify the candidate of any deficiency. Such candidates shall before the close of the nomination period, August 6, 2004 (E-88), either submit a supplemental petition or pay a prorated fee to cover the deficiency. §8106(b)(3)  |
| Aug 2, 2004<br>(E-92)             | 25. | <b><u>Randomized Alphabet Drawing - Notice</u></b><br>The last day for the Secretary of State to notify the news media and other interested parties of the date, time, and place of the randomized alphabet drawing to be held at 11 a.m. on August 12, 2004 (E-82). §13112(c)   |
| Aug 6, 2004<br>(E-88)             | 26. | <b><u>Signatures in Lieu of Filing Fees – Supplemental</u></b><br>The last day for any independent candidate for U.S. Senate or House of Representatives to submit any supplemental in-lieu signatures to the county elections official or to pay the prorated portion of the filing fee to cover any deficiency in the filing fee payment. §8106(b)(3)  |
| Aug 6, 2004<br>5 p.m.<br>(E -88)  | 27. | <b><u>Declaration of Candidacy and Nomination Papers – Independent Candidates</u></b><br>The last day for an independent candidate to leave his or her declaration of candidacy and to circulate and leave the nomination papers with the county elections official. Independent candidates for legislative office must have filed Declarations of Intention between October 27 and November 5, 2003, with the Secretary of State or county election officials to be allowed to file Declarations of Candidacy and nomination papers. §§8350, 8403, 8550<br><br>All independent candidates for offices for which there is a filing fee must pay the non-refundable filing fees or present in-lieu signatures at the time they receive their nomination papers from the county elections official. The number of the valid in-lieu signatures any candidate obtains may be subtracted from the number required for his or her nomination papers. A candidate shall not be required to execute a nomination paper if the number of valid in-lieu signatures equals or exceeds the minimum number required for nomination. §§8400,8403,8405 |

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| Aug 6, 2004<br>(E-88)<br>5 p.m.   | 28. | <b><u>Candidate Statement in County Sample Ballot</u></b><br>The last day legislative candidates may purchase space for a 250-word candidate statement in the official sample ballot(s) of the county or counties in the jurisdiction. Candidates may purchase statement space only if they have agreed to voluntary expenditure limits under Proposition 34. Govt. C. §85601   |
| Aug 6, 2004<br>7 p.m.<br>(E-88)   | 29. | <b><u>Nomination Paper Verification Method - Independent Candidates</u></b><br>The county elections official must send the Secretary of State notice of the total number of signatures submitted in each county and of the method of verification to be used by the county within either two working days of the final deposit of petition sections or by the close of the circulation period, whichever is earlier, but in no event later than 7 p.m. on this date. If notice is given by telephone, written confirmation must be transmitted to the Secretary of State on the same day that the telephone notice is given.<br>Cal. Code of Regs., Title 2 §20087; Elec. C. §8403(c)<br><br><b>Note:</b> The Secretary of State will immediately notify each affected county of the method of verification being used in each multi-county district. |
| Aug 8, 2004*<br>(E-86)<br>*Sunday | 30. | <b><u>Nomination Papers - Independent Candidates - Multi-County Districts</u></b><br>Last day for county elections official to report in writing to the Secretary of State the total number of signatures submitted in that county for independent candidates seeking election in a district that includes two or more counties. §8403  |
| Aug 9, 2004<br>(E-85)             | 31. | <b><u>State Ballot Pamphlet Copy to the State Printer</u></b><br>The last day for the Secretary of State to deliver copy for preparation of the ballot pamphlets to the Office of State Publishing. §9082   |
| Aug 11, 2004<br>(E-83)            | 32. | <b><u>Written Certification Results – Independent Candidates</u></b><br>The last day for the Secretary of State to receive notice of each county's total valid signature certification. If the county elections official telephones the actual notice, the county elections official shall send written certification on the same day that telephone notice was given. Cal. Code of Regs., Title 2 §20089(c)<br><br>The last day for the county elections officials to report the results of the random sampling method for checking each signature for   |

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any candidate running for election in a district involving two or more counties where at least one of the counties chooses to verify the candidate's nomination papers by the random sampling method. Cal. Code of Regs., Title 2 §20089(c)

Aug 12, 2004  
(E-82)

33.

**Randomized Alphabet Drawing**

The Secretary of State shall conduct the randomized alphabet drawing at 11 a.m. and deliver the results immediately to county elections officials so that they may determine the order in which the candidates shall appear on the general election ballot. §13112(b)

Aug 12, 2004  
(E-82)

34.

**Written Certification Results - Independent Candidates**

The last day for the Secretary of State to compute the number of valid signatures submitted for each candidate's nomination paper, to notify the elections officials of the results and to determine whether further action is necessary.

Cal. Code of Regs., Title 2, §§20089, 20090; E.C. §8403

Aug 26, 2004  
(E-68)

35.

**Certified List of Candidates**

The last day for the Secretary of State to prepare and send to each elections official a certified list by public office showing the name, party affiliation and ballot designation of every person who has received the nomination as a candidate for public office or who is otherwise entitled to receive votes within the county at the general election. §8148

Aug 30, 2004  
(E-64)

36.

**Nomination Papers Forwarded to the Secretary of State – Independent Candidates - Office for which there is a Filing Fee**

The last day for the county elections official to file the nomination papers of an independent candidate with the Secretary of State.

§8403

Aug 30, 2004  
(E-64)

37.

**Nomination Signatures - Written Certification - Independent Candidates**

The last day for the county elections official to report the results of checking each signature to a nomination paper. This reporting date is used if all counties in a district choose this method of verification or if the Secretary of State orders the checking of every signature.

Cal. Code of Regs., Title 2 §§20089(d), 20090(b)(2)

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| Sep 3-Sep 13, 2004<br>(E-60 to E-50)              | 38. | <b><u>Report of Registration – 60-Day County Report</u></b><br>During this period, the county elections official shall send to the Secretary of State a summary of the number of persons registered by party in their counties and in each political subdivision thereof as of September 3, 2004. §2187(a), (c), (d)(2)  |
| Sep 3, 2004<br>(E-60)                             | 39. | <b><u>Special Absent Voters' Ballot Applications</u></b><br>The first day county elections officials may process applications for special absent voters' ballots. Any applications received by the county elections official prior to this day shall be kept and processed on or after this date. The application must include the statement that the voter cannot vote an absentee ballot during the normal absentee voting period of October 4 through October 26, 2004 (E-29 to E-7) because of military or other contingencies that preclude normal mail delivery. §§300 (b), 3103 |
| Sep 3, 2004<br>(E-60)                             | 40. | <b><u>Registration Files Update</u></b><br>Counties using data processing equipment to store registered voter information set forth in the affidavits of registration shall begin their computer updates in order to send a copy of their registered voter files to the Secretary of State by September 13, 2004 (E-50). §2187(c)&(d)(4)   |
| Sep 3-Oct 26, 2004<br>(E-60 to E-7)               | 41. | <b><u>Federal Election - Overseas Voter, Application for Absent Voter's Ballot</u></b><br>During this period, counties may begin processing Federal Post Card Applications (FPCA) from persons already registered to vote. §§3304, 3306  |
| Sep 6*-Oct 19, 2004<br>(E-57 to E-14)<br>*Holiday | 42. | <b><u>Statement of Write-In Candidacy and Nomination Papers – Non-Presidential Candidates</u></b><br>During this period, all write-in candidates other than write-in presidential candidates must file their statements of write-in candidacy and nomination papers with the county elections official. §8601  |
| Sep 13, 2004<br>(E-50)                            | 43. | <b><u>Voter Registration Files to the Secretary of State</u></b><br>The last day for county elections officials to send the Secretary of State a copy of their voter registration files of all voters registered prior to September 3, 2004 (E-60). §2187(c)&(d)(4)  |
| Sep 18, 2004*<br>(E-45)<br>*Saturday              | 44. | <b><u>State Ballot Pamphlets to State and Local Officials and Public Institutions</u></b><br>By this date, the Secretary of State shall send a specified number  |

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of copies of the state ballot pamphlet to city and county elections officials, members of the Legislature, proponents of statewide ballot measures, public libraries and educational institutions.

§9096

Sep 18, 2004\*  
(E-45)  
\*Saturday

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### **State Ballot Pamphlets Furnished to Counties**

By this date, the Secretary of State shall furnish copies of the state ballot pamphlet to those counties that do not use data processing equipment to maintain their registered voter files. Ballot pamphlets will also be sent to all counties for their supplemental mailings to persons who registered between September 4 and October 4, 2004 (E-59 to E-29). §9094(b) & (c)

Sep 23-Oct 12, 2004  
(E-40 to E-21)

46.

### **State Ballot Pamphlet Mailing**

Between these dates, the Secretary of State shall mail state ballot pamphlets to all households in which voters were registered by Friday, September 3, 2004 (E-60). This mailing is based on the information provided by the counties' voter registration files, which were sent by September 13, 2004 (E-50). §9094(a)

In those counties in which such data processing equipment is not used, the county elections official shall mail the state ballot pamphlets to all voters registered by September 3, 2004 (E-60). §9094(b)

Sep 23-Oct 12, 2004  
(E-40 to E-21)

47.

### **Counties Mail Sample Ballots**

Between these dates, the county elections official shall mail a sample ballot to each registered voter. §§13303-13304

Oct 1, 2004  
(Date fixed by law)

48.

### **Presidential Elector Selection – Democratic and Republican Parties**

The last day for Democratic and Republican parties to file the name, residence address and business address of their respective presidential electors with the Secretary of State. §§7100, 7300

Oct 1, 2004  
(Date designated by  
Secretary of State)

49.

### **Presidential Elector Selection – American Independent, Green, Libertarian, Natural Law, and Peace and Freedom Parties**

The last day for American Independent, Green, Libertarian, Natural Law, and Peace and Freedom parties to file the names and residence addresses of their respective presidential electors with the Secretary of State. §§7578, 7843

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| Oct 3*, 2004<br>(E-30)<br>*Sunday   | 50. | <b><u>Notice of Early Tabulation</u></b><br>The last day for the Secretary of State to notify county elections officials that certain offices or measures to be voted on are more than ordinary public interest and will require early tabulation and announcement. §14440  |
| Oct 4, 2004<br>(E-29)               | 51. | <b><u>Notice of Change of Address within County</u></b><br>The last day before the general election for any voter to send a card or letter to the county elections official advising of the change of address within the county. The notification may be submitted to the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) or any NVRA designated agency prior to the election. The county elections official shall correct the registration records accordingly. The notice is in lieu of re-registering. §2119  |
| Oct 4, 2004<br>(E-29)               | 52. | <b><u>Federal Election – Overseas Voter, Last Day to Register</u></b><br>The last day for members of armed forces and merchant marine, their spouses and dependents, and U.S. citizens temporarily residing outside the United States to complete and sign the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) requesting and absent voter ballot and send it to the county elections official. §§300, 3300, 3302  |
| Oct 4-Oct 26, 2004<br>(E-29 to E-7) | 53. | <b><u>Absent Voter Application</u></b><br>Between these dates, any registered voter may apply to the county elections official for an absent voter's ballot. Applications received before October 4, 2004 (E-29) shall be kept and processed during this application period. §§3001,3003  |
| Oct 5, 2004<br>(Date fixed by law)  | 54. | <b><u>First Pre-Election Statement</u></b><br>The last day to file campaign statements for candidates and committees for the period ending September 30, 2004.<br>Govt. C. §§84200.5, 84200.7 (b)   |
| Oct 5, 2004<br>(Date fixed by law)  | 55. | <b><u>Supplemental Independent Expenditure Report</u></b><br>Last day to file supplemental independent expenditure reports for candidates or committees making independent expenditures of \$1,000 or more in a calendar year to support or oppose a candidate or measure. Independent expenditure reports are filed at the same time, and in the same place, as would be required if the filer were primarily formed to support or oppose the candidate, measure or measure qualification affected by the independent expenditure. Govt. C. §84203.5 |

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| Oct 5-Oct 26, 2004<br>(E-28 to E-7)                | 56. | <p><b><u>New Residents and New Citizens Registration Period</u></b><br/>Registration for new residents shall begin the 28<sup>th</sup> day prior to an election and end on the seventh day prior to election day. This registration must be executed in the county elections office and the new resident shall vote a new resident's ballot in that office.<br/>§§332, 3400</p> <p>A new citizen registering to vote after the close of registration shall provide the county elections official with proof of citizenship prior to voting, and shall declare that he or she has established residency in California. §§331, 3500, 3501</p> <p>The county elections official shall receive and canvass the ballots of new residents and new citizens at the same time and under the same procedure as absent voter ballots. §§3405, 3502</p> |
| Oct 5-Oct 23*, 2004<br>(E-28 to E-10)<br>*Saturday | 57. | <p><b><u>Report of Registration – 29-Day County Report</u></b><br/>During this period county elections official shall send the Secretary of State their summary statements of the number of persons registered as of October 4, 2004 (E-29).<br/>§2187(a), (c) &amp; (d)(5)</p>  |
| Oct 12, 2004<br>(E-21)                             | 58. | <p><b><u>State Ballot Pamphlets – Mailing</u></b><br/>The last day for the Secretary of State, or the county elections official if appropriate, to mail state ballot pamphlets to all households with voters who registered by September 3, 2004 (E-60).<br/>§9094</p>   |
| Oct 12, 2004<br>(E-21)                             | 59. | <p><b><u>Sample Ballots - County Mailing</u></b><br/>The last day for each county elections official to mail sample ballots to the voters.<br/>§13303</p>  |
| Oct 17-Nov 1, 2004<br>(E-16 to E-1)                | 60. | <p><b><u>Late Contribution Report</u></b><br/>All candidates and ballot measure committees that make or receive a late contribution and all other committees that make a late contribution on any date during the 16 days before an election must report the late contribution by guaranteed overnight mail, telegram, personal delivery, or facsimile transmission (where fax capability exists) within 24 hours. Late contribution reports may be reported on Form 497. In addition, a filer who makes a late in-kind contribution must notify the recipient in writing of the fair market value of the in-kind contribution within 24 hours. The recipient of the late in-kind</p>  |

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contribution must file an LCR within 48 hours of obtaining the benefit, possession or control of the late in-kind contribution.

Govt. C. §§84203, 84203.3

Oct 17-Nov 1, 2004  
(E-16 to E-1)

61.

### **Slate Mailer Organization - Late Payments**

During the 16 days immediately preceding an election, each slate mailer organization that receives a payment of \$2,500 or more for the purpose of supporting or opposing any candidate or measure in a slate mailer must report the late payment within 24 hours by guaranteed overnight mail, telegram, personal delivery, or facsimile transmission, where accepted. Late payments may be reported on Form 498.

Govt. C. §84220

Oct 17-Nov 1, 2004  
(E-16 to E-1)

62.

### **Late Independent Expenditure Report**

All candidates and committees that make a late independent expenditure on any date during the 16 days before an election must report the late independent expenditure by guaranteed overnight mail, telegram, personal delivery, or facsimile transmission (where fax capability exists) within 24 hours. Late independent expenditure reports may be reported on Form 496.

Govt. C. §84204

Oct 17-Nov 1, 2004  
(E-16 to E-1)

63.

### **24-Hour Statement of Organization Filing Requirement for Recipient Committees and Slate Mailer Organizations**

During the 16 days immediately preceding an election, any person or entity which qualifies as a recipient committee or slate mailer organization must file the information required to be reported in the Statement of Organization within 24 hours by telegram or personal delivery.

Govt. C. §§84101, 84108

Oct 18, 2004  
(E-15)

64.

### **Registration Closes**

The last day for any person to register to vote in the general election.

§§2102, 2107

**Note:** No person shall be registered as a voter except by affidavit of registration. The affidavit shall be mailed or delivered to the county elections official and shall set forth all of the facts required to be shown by this chapter. A properly executed registration shall be deemed effective upon receipt of the affidavit by the county elections official if any of the following apply:

- (1) The affidavit is postmarked on or before the 15th day prior to the election and received by mail by the county elections official.

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- (2) The affidavit is submitted to the Department of Motor Vehicles or accepted by any other public agency designated as a voter registration agency pursuant to the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 1973gg) on or before the 15th day prior to the election.
- (3) The affidavit is delivered to the county elections official by means other than those described in paragraphs (1) or (2) on or before the 15th day prior to the election.

Oct 19, 2004  
(E-14)

65. **Presidential Write-In Candidates**  
Last day for write-in presidential candidates (any group of individuals, equal in number to the number of presidential electors to which California is entitled) of all parties to file declarations with the Secretary of State in order to have write-in votes counted. No filing fee is required. §§8650-8652

Oct 19, 2004  
(E-14)

66. **Write-In Candidates Candidacy and Nomination Papers – Non-Presidential**  
The last day for any write-in candidate, other than write-in presidential candidates, to file with the county elections official his or her statement of write-in candidacy and the required number of signatures on the nomination papers. No filing fee is required.

§§8601, 8604

Oct 21, 2004  
(E-12)

67. **Second Pre-Election Statement**  
The last day to file campaign statements for candidates and committees for the period ending October 16, 2004. Candidates being voted upon, their controlled committees and committees primarily formed to support or oppose a candidate or measure must file the second pre-election statement by guaranteed overnight mail or personal delivery. Govt. C. §§84200.5, 84200.7(b)

Oct 21, 2004  
(E-12)

68. **Supplemental Independent Expenditure Report**  
Last day to file supplemental independent expenditure reports for candidates or committees making independent expenditures of \$1,000 or more in a calendar year to support or oppose a candidate or measure. Independent expenditure reports are filed at the same time, and in the same places, as would be required if the filer were primarily formed to support or oppose the candidate, measure, or measure qualification affected by the independent expenditure.

Oct 22, 2004  
(Suggested date)

69. **Certified List of Write-In Candidates – Non-Presidential**  
Secretary of State will prepare and send to affected county

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elections officials a certified list of non-presidential write-in candidates showing the name of every write-in candidate eligible to receive votes within the county at the general election, their address and the offices to which they seek election. This list will be mailed to each person in the affected offices.

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| Oct 23, 2004*<br>(E-10)<br>*Saturday | 70. | <b><u>State Ballot Pamphlet - Supplemental Mailing</u></b><br>The last day for county elections officials to mail ballot pamphlets to voters who registered after September 3 and by October 4, 2004 (E-60 to E-29).<br>§9094(c)  |
| Oct 23, 2004*<br>(E-10)<br>*Saturday | 71. | <b><u>Report of Registration – 29-Day County Report</u></b><br>The last day for county elections officials to send the Secretary of State their summary statements of the number of persons registered as of October 4, 2004 (E-29).<br>§2187(a), (c) & (d)(5)  |
| Oct 26, 2004<br>(E-7)                | 72. | <b><u>New Residents and New Citizens Registration Period – Last Day</u></b><br>Last day for new residents to register to vote prior to election day. This registration must be executed in the county elections office and the new resident shall vote a new resident's ballot in that office.<br>§§332, 3400<br><br>Last day a new citizen registering to vote after the close of registration can provide the county elections official with proof of citizenship prior to voting, and declare that he or she has established residency in California.<br>§§331, 3500, 3501<br><br>The county elections official shall receive and canvass the ballots of new residents and new citizens at the same time and under the same procedure as absent voter ballots.<br>§§3405, 3502 |
| Oct 26, 2004<br>(E-7)                | 73. | <b><u>Absent Voter Ballot Application</u></b><br>The last day for the county elections official to receive any voter's application for an absentee ballot and to issue such ballot for the general election.<br>§3001   |
| Oct 26, 2004<br>(E-7)                | 74. | <b><u>Computer Program to Secretary of State</u></b><br>The last day for counties to verify their election night vote count computer programs and deposit copies thereof with the Secretary of State.<br>§15001   |

The last day for county elections officials to send Logic and Accuracy Test Certifications to the Secretary of State.

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| Oct 26, 2004<br>(E-7)                           | 75. | <b><u>Computer Processing of Absentee Ballots</u></b><br>Counties having the necessary computer capability may begin to process their absent voters ballots on this date. This process may be completed to the point of placing the ballot information on a computer tape, but under <b>NO</b> circumstances shall a vote count be made before the close of the polls at 8 p.m. on November 2, 2004 (E). All other county elections officials shall start to process absent voter ballots at 5 p.m. on the day before the election.<br>§15101 |
| Oct 27-Nov 1, 2004<br>(E-6 to E-1)              | 76. | <b><u>Special Absentee Voter - Recalled to Military Service</u></b><br>A registered voter recalled to service after October 26 but before 5 p.m. on November 1, 2004, may appear before the county elections official and obtain from the county elections official an absent voter's ballot which may be voted in the county elections official's office or outside the county elections official's office on or before the close of the polls and returned as are other voted absent voter ballots.<br>§3110                                |
| Oct 27–Nov 2, 2004<br>(E-6 to E)                | 77. | <b><u>Absentee Ballots - Late Conditions</u></b><br>On or between these dates, any voter may apply in writing for an absent voter's ballot if he or she will be unable to go to the polls on election day. The voter may designate any authorized representative to return the voted absent voter's ballot.<br>§3021  |
| Oct 31, 2004*<br>(Date fixed by law)<br>*Sunday | 78. | <b><u>Quarterly Statement by Ballot Measure Committees</u></b><br>All committees which have qualified as a recipient committee and are primarily formed to support or oppose the qualification, passage, or defeat of any measure must file a quarterly campaign statement for the period July 1 through September 30, 2004, during any semiannual period before the election in which the measure is not being voted upon.<br>Govt. C. §84202.3  |
| Nov 1, 2004<br>5 p.m.<br>(E-1)                  | 79. | <b><u>Special Absentee Voter - Recalled to Military Service</u></b><br>The last day a registered voter recalled to service after October 26, 2004 (E-7) but before 5 p.m. on November 1, 2004 (E-1) may obtain from the county elections official an absent voter's ballot which can be voted in the county elections official's office or outside the county elections official's office on or before the close of the polls and returned as are other voted absent voter ballots.<br>§3110  |

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Nov 1, 2004  
5 p.m.  
(E-1)

80.

### **Manual Processing of Absentee Ballots**

Counties not having the necessary computer capability may begin to process the absent voter's ballots manually at 5 p.m. on this date, but under **NO** circumstances is any vote count to be made public before the close of the polls at 8 p.m. on November 2, 2004 (E). §15101

Nov 2, 2004  
(E)

81.

### **Special Absentee Voters**

Any registered special absentee voter who has returned on or before this day and to whom an absent voter's ballot has been mailed but not voted may apply to vote in the county election official's office or in a polling place. §§300, 3108

The last day an unregistered special absentee voter who was released from service after the close of registration and who has returned to his or her county of residence may apply in person to register with the county elections official and vote in the election. Documentary proof of release from military service is required. On or before the day of the election, the county elections official shall deliver to the precinct board a list of special absentee voters registered under Elections Code §3107. §3107

The last day a special absentee voter who returns to the county after October 26, 2004 (E-7) may appear before the county elections official and make application for registration, an absent voter ballot, or both. The county elections official shall register the voter, if not registered, and shall deliver an absent voter ballot which may be voted in or outside the county elections official's office on or before the close of the polls on the day of election and returned as are other voted absent voter ballots. §3109

Nov 2, 2004  
(E)

82.

### **Absentee Ballots – Late Conditions**

The last day any voter may request in writing an absent voter's ballot because of specified conditions resulting in anticipated absence from the polling place or precinct on election day.

§3021

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| Nov 2, 2004<br>(E)           | 83. | <b><u>General Election Day</u></b><br>On this date, the polls shall be open throughout the state from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. §§1000, 14212<br><br>[Voters who have moved from one address to another within the same county after October 9, 2004 and not reregistered may vote a provisional ballot at the polling place for their current (new) address or at a central location. The voter should be able to provide an ID Card or Driver's License with the new address, but if not available, then two other documents must be shown to establish new residence address.] §14311 |
| Nov 2, 2004<br>(E)           | 84. | <b><u>Absent Voters' Ballots Returned in Order to be Counted</u></b><br>The last day county elections official may receive ballots cast by absent voters by mail or in person. Absent voter ballots may be received by 8 p.m. at any polling place in the county where the voter is registered, or at the office of the elections official. §§3017, 3020  |
| Nov 2, 2004<br>8 p.m.<br>(E) | 85. | <b><u>Defacing of Unused Ballots</u></b><br>At 8 p.m., immediately after the close of the polls, each county elections official shall openly and in his or her main office deface or seal in a special container all unused ballots in his or her control and shall make and file an affidavit of the number of ballots destroyed or sealed. §14404   |
| Nov 2, 2004<br>(E)           | 86. | <b><u>Semi-Official Canvass</u></b><br>Beginning at 8 p.m. and continuously until completed, the county elections official will conduct the semiofficial canvass of votes and report totals to the Secretary of State at least every two hours. §§15150-15151   |
| Nov 4, 2004<br>(E+2)         | 87. | <b><u>Official Canvass</u></b><br>By this date, county election officials must begin the official canvass of the precinct returns. This canvass must be completed not later than November 30, 2004 (E+28). §§15301, 15372   |
| Nov 22, 2004<br>(E+20)       | 88. | <b><u>Report of Registration – 29-Day Statewide Report</u></b><br>The last day for the Secretary of State to compile a statewide report showing the number of registered voters, by party affiliation, in the state and in each county and political subdivision thereof. This statement is based on the summary statements sent by the county elections official by October 23, 2004 (E-10). §2187(b) & (d)(5)   |

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| Nov 30, 2004<br>(E+28)                        | 89. | <p><b><u>Official Canvass – End</u></b><br/>No later than this date, the county elections official must complete the canvass, certify its results, and submit it to the board of supervisors. §15372</p> <p>This is also the suggested date for the board of supervisors to declare the winners for each office and the results of each measure under its jurisdiction. The county elections official shall make and deliver to each person elected a certificate of election. §§15400-15401</p>  |
| Dec 6, 2004<br>(Date fixed by law)            | 90. | <p><b><u>Certificate of Election – Presidential Electors</u></b><br/>The Secretary of State shall begin analyzing the votes given for presidential electors and certify to the Governor the names of the proper number of persons having the highest number of votes. The Secretary of State shall issue and transmit to each presidential elector a certificate of election. §15505</p> <p>The certificate shall be accompanied by a notice of the time and place of the meeting of the presidential electors and a statement that each presidential elector will be entitled to a per diem allowance and mileage in the amount specified.</p> |
| Dec 11, 2004*<br>(E+39)<br>*Saturday          | 91. | <p><b><u>Statement of the Vote</u></b><br/>The last day for the Secretary of State to prepare, certify and file a statement of the vote from the compiled election returns. §15501</p>  |
| Dec 11, 2004*<br>(E+39)<br>*Saturday          | 92. | <p><b><u>Certificate of Election – Non-Presidential Candidates</u></b><br/>The Secretary of State shall issue certificates of election to persons elected to each congressional and legislative office. §§15503-15504</p>   |
| Dec 13, 2004<br>2 p.m.<br>(Date fixed by law) | 93. | <p><b><u>Electoral College Convenes</u></b><br/>At this time and date, the presidential electors shall assemble at the State Capitol to vote by separate ballot for that person for President and that person for Vice President of the United States who are, respectively, the candidates of the political party which they represent. These votes are mailed to the seat of the Government of the United States, directed to the President of the Senate.<br/>U.S. Const., Amend. XII; §§6904, 6906-6908</p>   |

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| Jan 31, 2005<br>(Date fixed by law)        | 94. | <b><u>Campaign Statement – Semiannual</u></b><br>The last day to file semiannual campaign statements for candidates and committees.<br>Govt. C. §§84200, 84218   |
| Jan 31, 2005                               | 95. | <b><u>Supplemental Independent Expenditure Report</u></b><br>Last day to file supplemental independent expenditure reports for candidates or committees making independent expenditures of \$1,000 or more in a calendar year to support or oppose a candidate or measure. Independent expenditure reports are filed at the same time, and in the same places, as would be required if the filer were primarily formed to support or oppose the candidate, measure, or measure qualification affected by the independent expenditure.<br>Govt. C. §84203.5 |
| Feb 11-Mar 1, 2005<br>(Dates fixed by law) | 96. | <b><u>Report of Registration</u></b><br>During this period, county elections official shall send the Secretary of State a summary statement of the number of persons registered by party in their counties and in each political subdivision thereof.<br>§2187(a), (c) & (d)(6)  |
| Mar 31, 2005                               | 97. | <b><u>Report of Registration - Statewide Compilation</u></b><br>The last day for the Secretary of State to compile a statewide report showing the number of registered voters, by party affiliations, in the state and in each county and political subdivision thereof. This statement is based on the summary statements sent by the county elections official by March 1, 2005.<br>§2187  |
| Apr 10, 2005<br>(E+159)                    | 98. | <b><u>Supplement to the Statement of Vote</u></b><br>Last day for the Secretary of State to compile a supplement to the statement of the vote, showing the number of votes cast in each county, city, Assembly district, State Senatorial district, Congressional district, and supervisorial district for each candidate for the office of Presidential Elector, United States Senator, and on each statewide ballot measure.<br>§15502   |